WHEREAS, the protection of the lives and limbs of Blind Pedestrians is a major concern for all the blind people of the nation; and

WHEREAS, Public Safety education, as to the meaning of the White Cane and the requirements of the White Cane Laws, is necessary to obtain the maximum safety of such pedestrians; and

WHEREAS, there are approximately 1600 blind citizens in the State of South Dakota, many of whom utilize a White Cane or a guide dog when traveling in traffic. It was a decision of the Legislature in 1949 that pedestrians suffering from limited vision should be protected by a special law. South Dakota Code 44.03181 requires that all vehicles be brought to a full stop when a blind person carrying a White Cane or a cane painted in white tipped with red or guide dog is attempting to cross a street or highway. The penalty for violation of this Act is a fine of $25.00.

WHEREAS, it is important that the public be advised concerning the legal use of the White Cane and the guide dog:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICHARD F. KNEIP, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim October 15, 1972 as

WHITE CANE SAFETY DAY IN SOUTH DAKOTA

and urge our citizens to show every courtesy and concern for the safety of those persons using the White Cane and to assist in the widest possible dissemination of this public safety information.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have
hereunto set my hand and affixed
the Great Seal of the State of
South Dakota, in Pierre, the
Capital City, this 3rd day of
October, in the Year of Our Lord,
Nineteen Hundred and Seventy-two.

Richard F. Kneip
RICHARD F. KNEIP, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

Alma Larson
ALMA LARSON, SECRETARY OF STATE

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